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## AMENDMENTS

### In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 34 and 47 and amend claim 37 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(1)(i) as set forth in the "clean" version set forth below. Entry is respectfully requested. A version with markings to show the changes made pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(1)(ii) is attached hereto as Appendix A.

### CLAIMS:

B1 37. (Amended) An anonymous trading system for trading instruments between traders, comprising:  
a plurality of order input devices;

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a network of brokers, each broker comprising a matching engine for matching bids and offers entered into the system and for assisting in executing deals where orders are matched;

market distribution means for distributing price messages to order input devices and an interface with a trading floor or order input devices; and

means for matching and executing joint [executing] execution orders comprising a plurality of orders linked together;

wherein all of said linked orders are executed together or rejected.